Train halt at Vasundhara (Ghaziabad)

†1145. SHRI LAJPAT RAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that most of the persons residing in sector 2 to 6 in Vasundhara (Ghaziabad) are Government employees working in Delhi and they face inconvenience while arriving in and departing from Delhi;

(b) if so, whether Government would seriously reconsider to set up a railway halt at Vasundhara between Ghaziabad and Sahibabad, to meet the problems being faced by the people;

(c) if so, by when; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) to (d) The proposal for opening of a halt station at Vasundhara between Ghaziabad and Sahibabad stations has been examined and the same has not been found financially and operationally justified. Moreover, adequate road transport facilities are already available in the vicinity of the proposed halt station.

Unmanned level crossings in Maharashtra

1146. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of railway level crossings in Maharashtra, not provided with gates, so far; and

(b) what is Government's planning for providing gates at railway level crossings to avoid accidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) There are 1208 unmanned level crossings in the State of Maharashtra.

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